

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re new U.S. patent application of : Attention: DO/EO/US  
Achim KOHLER, et al. :  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following preliminary amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 3" and substitute therefor --Claim 1--.

Claim 5, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 4" and substitute therefor --Claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 5" and substitute therefor --Claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 6" and substitute therefor --Claim 1--.

Claim 11, line 4, delete "or 9".